Amendments to the Claims:

 (Currently Amended) A method of connecting an application server to an information system, said method comprising:

providing, utilizing a hardware application server, a generic connector interface on said hardware application server, the generic connector interface comprising a Generic Resource Adaptor Archive (GRAR) file:

receiving information related to an information system at said hardware application server, said information system having a first interface, said information system accessible utilizing said first interface;

generating, utilizing said hardware application server, a customized connector interface on said hardware application server[[,]] by modifying said generic connector interface[[,]] based on said received information <u>by</u>:

adding said first interface to the Generic Resource Adaptor Archive (GRAR) file, and

creating a Customized Resource Adaptor Archive (CRAR) file by modifying a deployment descriptor of the Generic Resource Adaptor Archive (GRAR) file; and

connecting, utilizing said hardware application server, said information system to said hardware application server via said customized connector interface utilizing the Customized Resource Adaptor Archive (CRAR) file, wherein said customized connector interface provides access to said information system through said first interface of said information system.

- (Previously Presented) The method as recited in claim 1, wherein said providing of a generic connector interface comprises providing a software package.
- (Currently Amended) The method as recited in claim 2, wherein said-generic connector interface is provided as Resource Adaptor Archive (RAR) file, and wherein said information system is a relational database that is compliant with a Java DataBase Connection (JDBC) architecture.

(Cancelled)

 (Currently Amended) The method as recited in claim 1, wherein-said providing of a generic connector interface comprises providing a Generic Resource Adaptor Archive (RAR) file wherein modifying the deployment descriptor comprises editing at least one of a server Name, a port number, a user name, a password, a database name, a data source name, a description, a network protocol, a role name, a login timeout, driver properties, a delimiter, or a class name.

(Previously Presented) The method as recited in claim 1, wherein said receiving of information related to said information system comprises:

receiving one or more parameters.

- (Previously Presented) The method as recited in claim 6, wherein said receiving of information related to said information system further comprises receiving said one or more parameters as input through a Graphical User Interface (GUI).
 - 8. (Cancelled)
- (Previously Presented) The method as recited in claim 1, wherein said connecting of said information system to said hardware application server comprises:

encapsulating said first interface by a second interface that is implemented after said generic connector interface is customized.

10. (Previously Presented) The method as recited in claim 1, wherein generating a customized connector interface comprises:

generating a second interface that can encapsulate the first interface.

- 11-28. (Cancelled)
- (Currently Amended) A computer readable medium including computer program code for connecting an application server to an information system, said computer readable medium comprising:

computer program code, stored in at least one computer readable medium and executable by at least one processing unit, for providing a generic connector interface, the generic connector interface Comprising a Generic Resource Adapter Archive (GRAR) file;

computer program code, stored in the at least one computer readable medium and executable by the at least one processing unit, for receiving information related to an information system, said information system having a first interface, said information system accessible utilizing said first interface; computer program code, stored in the at least one computer readable medium and executable by the at least one processing unit, for generating a customized connector interface[[,]] by modifying said generic connector interface[[,]] based on said received information by:

adding said first interface to the Generic Resource Adaptor Archive (GRAR) file, and

creating a Customized Resource Adaptor Archive (CRAR) file by modifying a deployment descriptor of the Generic Resource Adaptor Archive (GRAR) file; and

computer program code, stored in the at least one computer readable medium and executable by the at least one processing unit, for connecting said information system to said application server via said customized connector <u>interface utilizing the Customized Resource Adaptor Archive (CRAR) file</u>, wherein said customized connector <u>interface</u> provides access to said information system through said first interface of said information system.

30. (Previously Presented) The computer readable medium as recited in claim 29, wherein said computer programming code, stored in at least one computer readable medium and executable by at least one processing unit, for providing a generic connector interface comprises:

providing a software package.

31. (Currently Amended) The computer readable medium as recited in claim 30, wherein said-generic connector interface is provided as Resource Adaptor Archive (RAR) file, and wherein said information system is a relational database is compliant with a Java DataBase Connection (JDBC) architecture.